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## ABSTRACT:

To form a flexible leather-like sheet material a compressed sheet of cellular material is adhered to one or each surface of the resulting assembly, the binder is allowed to permeate and impregnate the assembly and the impregnated assembly is heated to set the binder. The term "fibrous material" is breadly defined in order to include also cellular non-fibrous materials.

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SUMMARY:

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- A . . . of a fibrous or cellular material. The adherence may be attained by means of a suitable adhesive, for example a \*\*natural\*\* \*\*rubber\*\* latex (especially a \*\*deproteinized\*\* \*\*natural\*\* \*\*rubber\*\* latex), a polychloroprene latex, an ethylene/vinyl acetate copolymer adhesive, a latex of a \*\*graft\*\* copolymer of \*\*natural\*\* \*\*rubber\*\* and poly(\*\*methyl\*\* \*\*methacrylate\*\*), a solvent-based neoprene adhesive, a polyurethane adhesive or a carboxylated styrene/butadiene copolymer latex. Alternatively, the surface of the compressed sheet. . . => d 15 cit 1-121
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SUMMARY:

BSUM(2)

\*\*Graft\*\* copolymerisation of vinyl monomers onto \*\*natural\*\* \*\*rubber\*\* has been extensively studied in the past. The work has resulted in commercial production of materials known as Heveaplus MG which contain \*\*natural\*\* \*\*rubber\*\*-\*\*methyl\*\* \*\*methacrylate\*\* \*\*graft\*\* copolymer. Such materials have achieved some commercial success; but this has been limited by the difficulty of controlling the reaction of the \*\*methyl\*\* \*\*methacrylate\*\* with the rubber and the properties of the resulting product. The present invention adopts the alternative approach of reacting pre-formed side chains with the rubber molecules and this provides greater control of the structure of the \*\*graft\*\* copolymer

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SUMMARY:

BSUM(3)

In general, the properties of polymers can be modified more or less by \*\*grafting\*\* a monomeric component to the polymers and the resulting \*\*graft\*\* copolymers are themselves useful as moldable resins with improved properties for further processing or are suitable, in combination with a. . . agent for resins, metals, fibers, glass and the like materials or as a binder for these materials. In fact, the \*\*graft\*\* polymerization of \*\*methyl\*\* \*\*methacrylate\*\* to \*\*natural\*\* \*\*rubber\*\* is adopted in the prior art as a means for improving the physical and electrical properties of \*\*natural\*\* \*\*rubber\*\* at high temperatures. However, such known \*\*graft\*\* copolymer was not satisfactory in thermoageing-resisting, weather-resisting and ozone-resisting properties because of the reason that the \*\*natural\*\* \*\*rubber\*\* structure constituting the backbone of such \*\*natural\*\* \*\*rubber\*\*-\*\*methyl\*\* \*\*methacrylate\*\* \*\*graft\*\* copolymer contains unsaturated bonds.

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DETDESC:

DETD(5)

MG 30 and MG 49 are each a graft copolymer obtained by \*\*graft\*\* \*\*polymerising\*\* \*\*methyl\*\* \*\*methacrylate\*\* in \*\*natural\*\* \*\*rubber\*\* latex and containing, respectively, nominal proportions of 30 and 49% by weight of poly(\*\*methyl\*\* \*\*methacrylate\*\*). They have been obtained from the Rubber Research Institute of Malaysia, PO Box 150, Kuala Lumpar, Malaysia.

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DETDESC:

DETD(9)

The . . agent to be used for the formation of the undercoating layer 11 may be a mixture of 100 parts of \*\*natural\*\* \*\*rubber\*\*, 30 parts of \*\*methyl\*\* \*\*methacrylate\*\* and 500 parts of toluene, or a solution prepared by mixing 20 parts of \*\*methyl\*\* \*\*methacrylate\*\*, 20 parts vinyl acetate monomer and 500 parts of toluene with 100 parts of chloroprene rubber with stirring at 80.degree.C for about 8 hours to carry out \*\*graft\*\* \*\*polymerization\*\* and dissolving the polymerization product in 500 parts of methyl ethyl ketone.

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